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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-59. (cancelled)

60. (currently amended) A polypeptide comprising a variant Fc region with altered increased affinity for an FcγR allotype, which polypeptide comprises an amino acid modification at any one or more of amino acid positions 265, 267, 268, 270, 290, 298, ~~305~~, 307, 315, ~~317~~, 320, 331, 333 or 334 of the Fc region, wherein the numbering of the residues in the Fc region is that of the EU index as in Kabat, and wherein the polypeptide is noncovalently bound to an FcγR allotype or an extracellular domain thereof.

61. (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 60 wherein the ~~FcγRIII~~ FcγR allotype for which the polypeptide has increased affinity is selected from the group consisting of FcγRIIIA-Phe158, FcγRIIIA-Val158, FcγRIIA-R131 and FcγRIIA-H131.

62. (original) The polypeptide of claim 60 which displays increased binding to FcγRIIIA-Phe158.

63. (original) The polypeptide of claim 62 comprising an amino acid modification at any one or more of amino acid positions 290, 298, 333 or 334 of the Fc region, wherein the numbering of the residues in the Fc region is that of the EU index as in Kabat.

64.-79. (cancelled)

80. (new) A polypeptide comprising a variant Fc region, which polypeptide comprises an amino acid substitution at any one or more of amino acid positions 290, 298, 333 or 334 of the Fc region, wherein the numbering of the residues in the Fc region is that of the EU index as in Kabat, and wherein the polypeptide is noncovalently bound to FcγRIIIA-Phe158 or an extracellular domain thereof.

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81. (new) The polypeptide of claim 80 which comprises an antibody.

82. (new) The polypeptide of claim 80 wherein the variant Fc region comprises a variant human IgG Fc region.